LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending at least steady. Supplies are sufficient for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Retail feature activity is moderate to good with the bulk of the interest being in the South Central Regions. Finished product supplies are adequate. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 8.5 - 19.8 13.44

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending mostly steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are moderate for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs remains unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

READY-TO-COOK FOWL

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb.delivered to first receivers; US Grade A and Plant Grade)

Price Range

lce Packed (12/box): 80.0 - 86.0 Vacuum Packed (6-9/box): 85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

LIVE FOWL AUCTIONS

Hackettstown, NJ - Tue May. 15

Heavy Fowl each: 1.25 - 4.00 2.15 per pound:

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue May. 15

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs: 0.90 - 0.95 per pound

4-5 lbs: 0.65 - 0.80 per pound

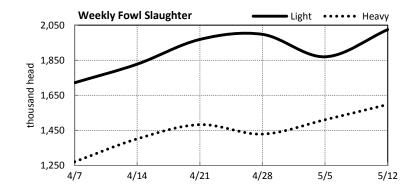
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs: 0.90 - 1.00 per pound

LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week ending 05-12-12

	Head Av	/g Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	2,025	3.11	3,401	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,598	7.60	7,894	65%
Total Hens:	3.623	5.09	11,295	

(head and ready-to-cook weight in thousands; avg. wght in lbs.)



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 05/18 to 05/24

Supermarket readdring during the week of 03/10 to 03/24							
(ad prices in \$/lb)	Light Hens		Heav	Heavy Hens			
Region	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg			
	5	1.99	33	1.14			
Northeast							
Southeast			8	0.99			
Midwest							
South Central			25	1.19			
Southwest	5	1.99					
Northwest							

^{1/ %&#}x27;s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.

